

Meeting Minutes
CJCC Subcommittee
Empowering Reentry & reducing Recidivism
Jury Room B, Law & Justice Center
April 7, 2010

Present: Zade Boylan
Connie Campbell
Jim Cashell
Matthew Cyr
Michael Dunham
Steve Ette
Brian Gootkin
Dennis Houska
Shelly Johnson
Roxanne Klingensmith
Marty Lambert
Andrea Lower
Jack Pollari
Ray Ross
Randy VanOsdol
Sylvan Young

Guest: Jason Miller & Bill Slaughter, The Montana Coalition for Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Initiative

Meeting Minutes:

Co-Chair Roxanne Klingensmith called the meeting to order at 1:15 and asked those attending to introduce themselves and tell who they represented. Roxanne distributed the agenda and asked for any changes or additions. None were made and the minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved as they stand. Roxanne thanked David Young for taking the minutes at the last meeting and Marty Lambert for chairing that meeting in her absence.

Roxanne introduced Bill Slaughter and Jason Miller and turned the meeting over to them. After distributing a one page handout (also distributed at the CJCC meeting earlier) they discussed The Montana Coalition for Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Initiative and answered several questions. This ballot initiative, if passed, would take 14% of the current taxes and fees paid on alcohol consumption (between 5-6 million dollars) that goes into the State's general fund now and instead have that money go to the Montana Board of Crime Control. The plan then will be for 35% of the money to be spent on Law Enforcement, 25% on treatment programs, 20% monitor programs and 20% on meth prevention. They stressed that the initiative would not increase taxes or decrease monies already going to the Department of Public Health & Human Services. Jason said they would like to collect several thousand signatures in the Gallatin County and that he would come back to do some training for those interested could help collect those signatures.

Roxanne then welcomed Captain Sylvan Young of the Salvation Army to the subcommittee and Brian Gootkin, Detention Center Administrator, back from his three month training at Quantico, VA. Roxanne asked for reports from the Working Groups.

1. Mission and Goals - Roxanne noted that the eight main goals drafted were in last month's minutes. She asked everyone to make sure their name was on at least one of them. Roxanne asked that her name be added to number I - Community Partners and number VII - Strategic Plan.

2. Definition of Recidivism - Marty Lambert reported that Don Hargrove had sent to him a refined definition which Don hoped was simple and useable. The suggested definition is: "Recidivism is any relapse into criminal behavior while serving a sentence under the criminal justice system." Marty asked the question if there was a need to put some kind of time frame in the definition to make it even more usable. He also raised the question of how do we define "criminal behavior"? The issue being that we all have an idea of what we consider to be criminal behavior, particularly when it comes to specific instances involving specific individuals, but are they the same? The idea was suggested that we ask the delegation from Rapid City what definition they use when they are here next month.

3. Data Collection - Connie Campbell stated that the working group is planning to give a report next month.

4. Why Recidivism - Since Stacey Pace is out of town there was no report.

5. Existing Programs/Community Resources - Randy VanOsdol reported on the plan to have the Community Development Director, Barbara Garcia, and the Chief of Police, Steve Allender, both from Rapid City, SD, visit our area May 4-6, 2010. They will be here to describe to us the Reentry Initiative they have put together for their community, what they are doing exactly, how it works, who's involved and to answer any questions that we have. The discussion that followed focused on how we can make the most their time, what venues we can set up to do that, who are the key people we'd like to meet with them at this point, and how will we pay for it. Regarding covering the cost of their visit, which we estimate to be around a \$1000, Shelly Johnson informed us that she could write a proposal for a mini-grant from the DUI Task Force, but it will take two to three months before we will receive the money. Marty said we thought it would be possible for him to get \$500 from his office to carry us over until we get the money, since it would be paid back in two to three months, and Roxanne said she could cover the other \$500 with the same understanding. We then decided to have a breakfast (probably at the Grand Tree Inn) Wednesday, May 5th, from 7:30-9:00, with key law enforcement personnel. Sheriff Jim Cashell said those people would be himself, County Attorney Marty Lambert, Bozeman Police Chief (whoever that will be by then), Belgrade Police Chief E.J. Clark, Manhattan Police Chief Dennis Hengel, Three Forks Police Chief Troy Burdick, Mt Highway Patrol Captain Rindick, Special Agent Greg Rice of the FBI, W. Yellowstone Police Chief Gordon Berger, MSU Police Chief Robert Putzke and Regional Airport Police Chief Bill Dove. Sheriff Cashell also generously offered to have his office pay for that breakfast and for the motel room for two nights for one of the guests from Rapid City. On that same Wednesday Ms. Garcia and Chief Allender will be given 20 minutes to address the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council at their meeting, we'll give them our whole hour at our next subcommittee meeting, they can speak to the Out Of Area Best Practices after that and then Steve Ette would like at least Ms. Garcia to meet with folks from Court Services. Wednesday night Roxanne said she would host a dinner at her house for the delegation from Rapid City to meet with all the Judges of our area. Then Thursday morning we plan to have a breakfast (probably at the Country Cafe at Four Corners), again from 7:30-9:00, for key service organizations and community leaders. Roxanne, Steve, Shelly, Randy, David, Jack Pollari and Ray Ross will meet at 10:00 Wednesday morning, April 14th, at the Bozeman Christian Reformed Church (which has been confirmed), to put together a list of who should be invited to this breakfast. If anyone can't make it to this meeting, or if anyone else has an idea of who should be at this breakfast, they are to send those names to Randy. After this meeting Ms. Garcia said they could be available to meet one on one or with a small group until about noon.

Next, Jack mentioned that since Senator Larry Jent is on the Legislative DUI Task Force at the state level that we should invite him to the presentation of the Rapid City representatives at the Thursday breakfast or to hear them at the next CJCC meeting depending on his schedule. Jack said he is aware that some of the legislative members in Helena are looking into setting up a test model using DUI enforcement and treatment concepts adapted from what they are doing in South Dakota. He thought Sen. Jent would be interested in hearing about the Rapid City model, could give us information as to what is happening at the legislative

level in Helena and that he would be interested in what's happening here in Gallatin County.

Jack then noted that in Jason and Bill's presentation the DUI Treatment Courts their Initiative is proposing are very similar to Drug Treatment Courts and that it would be nice to know more about our own Drug Treatment Court. He asked if our Drug Treatment Court could be used as a model to set up a DUI Treatment Court possibly under Judge Carl Seele?

Steve Ette suggested we have our June Subcommittee meeting at his facility which is located close to the Law and Justice Center. Steve would be willing to do a presentation on what their program is about and how it works so we can learn more about Court Services and the Gallatin County Treatment Court. We would need to confirm that our June meeting date works for him and that he will be available on that date.

Roxanne asked if there were any additional items that the subcommittee needed to address at this time. Hearing none she encouraged all the Working Groups to keep meeting during the month.

The next subcommittee meeting will be on Wednesday, May 5, 2010.